

PUBLIC HEALTH- SEATTLE & KING COUNTY CHARS/JAIL HEALTH SERVICES/METHADONE PROGRAM Hourly Rate Range \$21.91 - \$27.77 Job Announcement No: 04MH4145

OPEN: 3/22/04 CLOSE: 4/2/04

WHO MAY APPLY: This career service position is open to all qualified candidates.

WHERE TO APPLY: Required forms and materials must be sent to: Employment Services, 999 3rd Avenue, Suite 600, Seattle, WA 98104. Applications materials must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the closing date. (Postmarks are NOT ACCEPTED.) Contact at Mark Alstead (206) 205-9797 for further inquiries. PLEASE NOTE: Applications not received at the location specified above may not be processed.

FORMS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED: A <u>King County application form, data sheet</u>, resume, letter of interest detailing your background and describing how you meet or exceed the requirements and a photo copy of your Washington State DOH registered counselor or social work license as well as a chemical dependency certificate are required.

WORK LOCATION: King County Correctional Facility 500 Fifth Ave., Seattle and Regional Justice Center, 620 West James, Kent.

WORK SCHEDULE: This part-time (.75 FTE) position is overtime eligible. It works a 32 hour work week; schedule varies and includes rotating evenings and weekends.

PRIMARY JOB FUNCTIONS INCLUDE:

- Develop & document individualized service plans to assist opiate dependent inmates in obtaining needed medical, social, financial, legal, housing, and substance use treatment services.
- Coordinate with community based treatment agencies to verify eligibility and methadone dose levels for clients currently enrolled in methadone treatment who become incarcerated at KC jail facilities..
- For inmates inducted onto methadone through Jail Health Services, implement, coordinate, and monitor treatment plan.
- Assist clients in transitioning to community-based treatment services when released from jail.
- Coordinate social work service needs of opiate-dependent inmates with medical, psychiatric, nursing, pharmacy, and drug/alcohol treatment staff at KCCF/RJC, Needle Exchange and other Public Health staff.
- Develop linkages, coordinate, and serve as liaison with staff from community-based methadone treatment agencies to assure continuity of care for persons at risk for jail recidivism.
- Provide counseling and crisis intervention services to opiate dependent inmates.
- Provide health promotion, overdose prevention, and HIV prevention counseling and support to opiate addicted inmates.
- Provide harm reduction and treatment information and referral for substance abusing/dependent persons.
- Provide staff consultations & training as needed on program protocol.
- Maintain a broad working knowledge of community-based social, health and treatment services with expertise in working with opiate-dependent, criminally-involved persons.
- Maintain records & produce reports in compliance with program standards & funding contracts.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's Degree in social work from an accredited university, including one year post-masters supervised experience with direct counseling service to clients.
- Currently licensed in the State of Washington as a registered counselor, Licensed Advanced Social Worker, or Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker
- Minimum 2 years experience conducting interventions among injection drug users.
- Skilled in performing comprehensive social work assessments, short-term therapy and consultation for incarcerated opiate-addicted persons.
- Skill in developing and maintaining effective working relationships as a member of a multi-disciplinary team serving incarcerated clients, other health and human service staff, and community resources.
- Ability to function with minimal direct supervision and direction.
- Knowledge in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook.
- Proficient in English.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Proficient in Spanish, Vietnamese, Russian, Tagalog, Mandarin, Cantonese, or other Chinese Language.
- Licensed in the state of Washington as a License Advanced Social Worker (LASW) or Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW)

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- The selected candidate must pass a thorough background investigation.
- Employees are required to protect the privacy and security of protected health information as defined in State and Federal Law
- The candidate must possess a valid Washington State driver's license or have the ability to travel throughout King County in a timely manner.
- Washington State Chemical Dependency Professional Certification

UNION MEMBERSHIP: Local 17D

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